

five men will develop prostate cancer in his lifetime and the American Cancer Society estimates that over 32,000 men will die from the disease this year, a mortality rate approaching that of breast cancer in women. It is recommended that men at high risk begin annual prostate cancer screenings at age 40, and that all other men begin at age 50.

As one of my former colleagues and good friend, Bill Richardson once said, "Recognizing and preventing men's health problems is not just a man's issue. Because of its impact on wives, mothers, daughters and sisters, men's health is truly a family issue." We owe it to our families to have our prostrate screenings. A tiny bit of discomfort is worth saving your life and sparing your families from the pain of an untimely death.

#### RECOGNIZING JOHN G. TAYLOR

### HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 26, 2001*

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize John G. Taylor for being selected as the Person of the Year 2000 for his accomplishments in the area of religious journalism. The Muslim Public Affairs Council-Fresno will present the award to Taylor on Saturday, April 28, 2001 at their annual awards dinner.

John G. Taylor is a first-generation American. He was born in Brooklyn, New York in 1950. He worked as a reporter for a weekly newspaper and as a correspondent for the New York Times while he earned a degree in journalism at New York University. After college, he worked as a desk editor at newspapers in Hartford and New London, Connecticut.

In 1981, John and his family relocated to Fresno, where he began a 20-year career working with the community paper, the Fresno Bee. Most recently, John's reporting focused on issues of religious significance to the Fresno community, including Pope John Paul II's World Youth Day gathering in Denver and the "Stand in the Gap" million-man Christian march in Washington, D.C. He eagerly pursued stories about people and matters of faith for the Fresno Bee until January of this year. John accepted a position as a senior communications specialist/senior writer with Community Medical Centers. John and his wife Judy have six children and seven grandchildren.

I urge my colleagues to join me in praising Mr. Taylor's literary contribution to the city of Fresno and in wishing him continued success in the future.

#### TRIBUTE TO SAMETTA TAYLOR

### HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 26, 2001*

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to Sametta Alicia Taylor. Ms. Taylor recently qualified as a National Finalist in the 2001 Pre-Teen America Scholarship and Recognition Program to be held on July 3 in Baton

Rouge, Louisiana. Sametta is the 12-year-old daughter of Sammie and Michelle B. Taylor of Moncks Comer, South Carolina. She will represent our state in the speech category as South Carolina's Miss Pre-Teen.

She participated in the South Carolina Pre-Teen Scholarship and Recognition Program held September 2-4, 2000 in Greenville, South Carolina. Young ladies, ages seven to twelve, were invited who have been recognized publicly for their outstanding personal achievements, volunteer services, school involvement, leadership abilities, and creative talents. State finalists were judged on similar categories including communicative ability, general knowledge, onstage expression, and acknowledgment of accomplishments.

Local participants were selected primarily from public announcements of achievements, by teachers, guidance counselors, and recommendations from past participants. Over 120 South Carolinians participated in the event.

Sametta received a \$1,000 educational bond, \$100 educational bond for winning the speech competition, and 4 trophies for the highest scholastic average of all the participants.

Sametta has a 10-year-old brother, Sammie Taylor, III. She is the granddaughter of Joseph and Emily J. Brown of Moncks Comer, and Sammie Taylor, Sr. and Josephine Sanders of Rembert, South Carolina. Her godparents are Carl and Altrise Weldon of Bowie, Maryland. Mr. Speaker, please join me and my fellow South Carolinians in honoring Sametta Taylor for her outstanding achievements.

#### IN HONOR OF JOSEPH J. GARRY, JR.

### HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 26, 2001*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Joseph J. Garry, Jr. on his remarkable accomplishment of instilling joy and laughter through theater arts in Cleveland for over 34 years.

Joe Garry, who performs side by side with David Frazier, was just honored by the award-winning actress Patricia Neal with the Signstage Theater's annual Spotlight award, which recognizes individuals for their contributions to the arts and culture in Cleveland.

Garry and Frazier, well-known in the local and national entertainment circles, were instrumental in the success of many long running productions. They are best known to Cleveland audiences for their landmark musical "Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris" which ran for two and a half years, and by supporting the restoration of the Playhouse State complex in Cleveland.

Garry, director and former professor and head of the Theater Department at Cleveland State University has written, directed, and produced plays, musicals, and operas. Together with his partner, they have actively produced 15 musicals. They have received many prestigious awards, including being inducted into The Cleveland Play House Hall of Fame for their many years as actors in repertory there, and for performing both nationally and internationally.

Recently, they have performed on the Cunard liners, QE2, Caronia and Seabourn Sea. There they sail the world first class and perform on the bill with many theater legends, while hosting a group of Cleveland friends and including them in on the performances.

Joseph Garry has proved to help cultivate not only the Cleveland arts community, but locations throughout the world via his musical theatrical abilities and inspiration. I ask my colleagues to rise in recognizing this great man, Joseph J. Garry Jr. for his remarkable contributions to the theater arts.

#### IN HONOR OF THE 226TH BIRTHDAY OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY

### HON. SILVESTRE REYES

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 26, 2001*

Mr. REYES. Mr. Speaker, on Thursday, June 14th, we celebrated the 226th birthday of the United States Army. The Army's proud tradition, which dates back to 1775, has always stood tall, both in times of peace, and times of conflicts which placed American men and women in harm's way. For more than two centuries, the soldiers of the Army have been poised and ready to answer the call of duty to defend this great nation. The military is a noble profession and those who have served have demonstrated their patriotism and selflessness. The Army has always been relevant and remains relevant today. With the Transformation of the Army to a leaner, lighter, and more lethal force, the Army will continue to be relevant in the future. As we forge into the future, let us reflect on the great legacy the Army has given this nation, through the great men and women who were and are proud to be Americans.

#### EXTENDING APPRECIATION TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

### HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 26, 2001*

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I wish to extend my appreciation to our fine chairman, the ranking member, and all of the members of the Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies for their good work on the agriculture spending bill and the accompanying report that passed the full committee on June 13th. In particular, I am thankful that the Subcommittee has recognized the important contributions made by the Valley Children's Hospital located in California's Central Valley.

Valley Children's Hospital (VCH) is the only freestanding children's hospital in a rural area in the United States. VCH serves the 10-county, 60,000 square mile region between Los Angeles and the San Francisco Bay, and it functions as a "safety-net" health care provider to all children of Central California. The facility provides services regardless of an individual's race, religion or ability to pay, with over 70 percent of its patients on MediCal.